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SUBJECT: MACOVESCU VISIT TO BONN JULY 7-9

BEGIN SUMMARY. MACOVESCU VISIT TO BONN RESULTED IN
MODEST PROGRESS ON BILATERAL RELATIONS. END SUMMARY.

1. ROMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MACOVESCU MET WITH
CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT, FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER (THREE
TIMES) AND PRESIDENT SCHEEL DURING HIS VISIT TO BONN
JULY 7-9. THERE WAS NO COMMUNIQUE ISSUED, IN
SPITE OF MACOVESCU'S REQUEST FOR ONE. THERE WAS ONE
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL INSURANCE WHICH
WAS SIGNED, BUT WHICH HAS, ACCORDING TO THE FOREIGN
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OFFICE, "NO IMPORTANCE."

2. SCHMIDT CONVERSATION. THE MAIN THEMES OF MACOVESCU'S CONVERSATION WITH SCHMIDT WERE GENERAL DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE SITUATION IN EUROPE, EUROPEAN SECURITY QUESTIONS, AND THE WORLD ECONOMIC SITUATION. SCHMIDT TOLD MACOVESCU THAT, WHILE THE FRG FAVORS EUROPEAN INTEGRATION, INCLUDING INTEGRATION WITHIN CEMA, IT HOPES THAT EASTERN EUROPEAN NATIONS WILL MAINTAIN THEIR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE.

3. HUMANITARIAN CONCERNS. MACOVESCU GAVE GENSCHER A LIST OF RESOLVED HUMANITARIAN CASES. THIS LIST BROUGHT TO A TOTAL OF 60 THE NUMBER OF CASES WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN A LIST THAT GENSCHER PRESENTED DURING HIS VISIT TO BUCHAREST IN DECEMBER AND WHICH HAVE BEEN RESOLVED EITHER POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY. GENSCHER PRESENTED NO NEW LIST TO MACOVESCU, EVEN THOUGH HE LINKED PROGRESS IN THIS AREA BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY TO THE POLITICAL QUALITY OF BILATERAL RELATIONS. ACCORDING TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE, GENSCHER WILL MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT AFTER THE ELECTIONS.

4. TRADE. ROMANIA HAS REDUCED THE DEFICIT RATE IN ITS BILATERAL TRADE WITH THE FRG FROM DM 613 MILLION IN 1975 TO DM 66 MILLION DURING THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF 1976 BY REDUCING ITS IMPORTS FROM THE FRG.. GENSCHER TOLD MACOVESCU THAT THE FRG WISHES TO MAINTAIN THE 1975 LEVEL OF TRADE, AND IN THIS CONNECTION WISHES TO CORRECT THE IMBALANCES BY INCREASING ROMANIAN EXPORTS TO THE FRG. HE THOUGHT THIS COULD BE DONE BY INCREASING ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND COOPERATION ON THIRD MARKETS. HE ALSO CALLED FOR MORE JOINT VENTURES. GENSCHER AND MACOVESCU HAD A POSITIVE DISCUSSION OF AN INVESTMENT GUARANTEE AGREEMENT. TWO ROUNDS OF NEGOTIATIONS HAD PRECEDED THE MACOVESCU VISIT, AND THE

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FOREIGN OFFICE EXPECTS A THIRD AND FINAL ROUND BEFORE
THE END OF THE YEAR.

5. CREDITS. MACOVESCU MADE NO DIRECT REQUEST FOR
CREDITS. WHEN SCHMIDT MET WITH CEAUSESCU AT HELSINKI
ONE YEAR AGO HE PROPOSED EXPERT TALKS ON FINANCIAL
QUESTIONS. THESE TALKS HAVE NOT YET BEEN HELD AND THIS
IS AN OPEN QUESTION.

6. MULTILATERAL SUBJECTS. MACOVESCU MADE THE STANDARD
ROMANIAN ANTI-BLOC ARGUMENT. HE SPECIFICALLY SAID
THAT ROMANIA IS NOT SATISFIED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF
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CSCE AND COMPLAINED ABOUT THE LACK OF PROGRESS IN MBFR
AND SALT.

7. ECPC. MACOVESCU TOLD GENSCHER THAT ROMANIA IS
"VERY CONTENT" WITH THE RESULTS OF THE BERLIN CONFERENCE
AND CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS.

8. SCHMIDT VISIT. MACOVESCU RENEWED THE INVITATION
TO SCHMIDT TO VISIT BUCHAREST. SCHMIDT REPLIED THAT HE
HOPES TO MAKE THE VISIT SOME TIME IN 1977.
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